

Chapter 11.36

PEDESTRIANS

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11.36.010 Responsibility of driver to exercise caution.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this title, every driver of a vehicle shall exercise due care to avoid colliding with any pedestrian upon any roadway and shall give warning by sounding the horn when necessary and shall exercise proper precaution upon observing any child or any incapacitated person upon a roadway.

11.36.020 Pedestrian with white cane.

A person wholly or partially blind, and no other person, may carry a cane or walking stick, white, or painted white in color, and seven-eighths of an inch or more in diameter, as a means of protection and identification and as an indication to all traffic to exercise extraordinary care to avoid accidents.

11.36.030 Pedestrian right-of-way at crosswalk.

A. When traffic control signals are not in place or not in operation, the driver of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way, slowing down or stopping if necessary, to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within the crosswalk when the pedestrian is upon the half of the

roadway upon which the vehicle is traveling, or when the pedestrian is approaching so closely from the opposite half of the roadway as to be in danger. Pedestrians shall not suddenly leave a curb or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle that is so close that it is impossible for the driver to yield. This provision shall not apply where the pedestrian is crossing at a place other than a crosswalk.

B. Whenever any vehicle is stopped at a marked crosswalk or at any unmarked crosswalk at an intersection to permit a pedestrian to cross the roadway, the driver of any other vehicle approaching from the rear shall not overtake and pass the stopped vehicle on either side.

11.36.040 Use of right-hand side of crosswalks and sidewalks required.

Pedestrians shall move, whenever practicable, upon the right half of crosswalks and sidewalks.

11.36.050 Yield of right-of-way when.

A. Every pedestrian crossing a roadway at any point other than within a marked crosswalk or within an unmarked crosswalk at an intersection shall do so only if no crosswalk exists within 350 feet of the desired point of crossing.

B. When so crossing, the pedestrian shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles upon the roadway.

C. Any pedestrian crossing a roadway at a point where a pedestrian tunnel or overhead pedestrian crossing has been provided shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles upon the roadway.

D. Between adjacent intersections at which traffic control signals are in operation, pedestrians shall not cross at any place except in a marked crosswalk.

11.36.060 Walking on or along roadways.

A. Where sidewalks, walkways or paths are provided, it is unlawful for any pedestrian to walk along and upon any adjacent roadway.

B. Where sidewalks are not provided, any pedestrian walking along and upon a highway shall, when practicable, walk only on the left side of the roadway or its shoulder facing traffic that may approach from the opposite direction. In no event shall more than two persons walk abreast alongside any city roadway.

11.36.070 Standing in roadway prohibited when.

No person shall stand in a roadway for the purpose of soliciting a ride, employment, the parking, watching or guarding of a vehicle, or other business from the occupant of any vehicle.